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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT STEVENS INJURED

1. IN FREAK CAR ACCIDENT OVER WEEKEND, PRESIDENT STEVENS' CAR WAS HIT BY APPROACHING TAXI. PRESIDENT CONSIDERABLY SHAKEN UP ESPECIALLY PSYCHOLOGICALLY. PHYSICAL DAMAGE LIMITED TO A FEW CUTS AND BRUISES AND ONE BROKEN RIB. PRESIDENT'S PHYSICIANS HAVE RECOMMENDED THAT HE TAKE REST IN EUROPE IMMEDIATELY. SOURCE IN PRESIDENT'S OFFICE THIS AFTERNOON INDICATED THAT PRESIDENT MAY INDEED TRAVEL, PERHAPS AS EARLY AS TOMORROW.

2. COMMENT: FACT THAT PRESIDENT CONSIDERING TRAVEL SO SOON MAY INDICATE HE MORE SERIOUSLY AFFECTED THAN PUBLIC BEING TOLD. HIS EARLY DEPARTURE WOULD CAUSE HIM TO MISS MARRIAGE OF FAVORITE SON ON THURS AUG 21 AND HIS OWN 70TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS AUG 24. HIS DEPARTURE COULD AFFECT TRAVEL OF VICE-PRESIDENT KOROMA, WHOSE OWN TRAVEL MIGHT BE CHANGED ANYHOW DUE TO ILLNESS CAUSING HIM TO BE BED-RIDDEN FOR PAST FOUR DAYS.

END COMMENT.

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